(b) whether this Cell would be used to check anti-national activities of terrorists who use latest communication techniques for transmission of their messages; and

(c) the other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Market for software industries**

1915. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the countries now serving as big market for Indian software industry;

(b) the details of the markets during the last three years, country-wise; and

(c) the details of the foreign exchange earned by the software industry during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) to (c) The Information in respect of major destinations for Computer Software and Services exports, and foreign exchange earnings for the last three years, is enclosed as Statement.

**Statement**

*Details of major exports destinations for Computer Software & Services* (1998-99 *to* 2000-2001)

(Source: ESC)

| Destination | 1998-1999 | 1999-2000 | 2000-2001 |
|---|---|---|---|
| USA & Canada | 7683.49<br>(1851.44) | 11418.14<br>(2655.38) | 17067.04<br>(3710.23) |
| Latin America | 19.07<br>(4.60) | 24.87<br>(5.78) | 35.99<br>(7.82) |
| Europe (EU Countries) | 3180.53<br>(766.39) | 3621.78<br>(842.27) | 6125.11<br>(1331.55) |
| Europe (Non-EU Countries) | 14.47<br>(3.49) | 393.67<br>(91.55) | 378.70<br>(82.33) |
| Russia & C.I.S. Countries | 30.77<br>(7.41) | 1.91<br>(0.44) | 5.47<br>(1.19) |
| African Countries | 200.45<br>(48.30) | 265.66<br>(61.78) | 224.34<br>(48.77) |
| Middle East Countries | 234.42<br>(56.49) | 193.15<br>(44.92) | 440.36<br>(95.73) |
| Singapore, Hong Kong & other South Asian Countries | 463.68<br>(111.73) | 675.68<br>(157.13) | 1493.54<br>(324.68) |
| Japan, Korea & other Far East Countries | 558.88<br>(134.67) | 501.42<br>(116.61) | 907.25<br>(197.23) |
| Austrialia & other Oceanic Countries | 114.24<br>(27.53) | 203.72<br>(47.38) | 822.20<br>(178.74) |
| TOTAL: Rs. in Crores<br>USD in Mn. | 12500.00<br>(3012.05) | 17300.00<br>(4023.26) | 27500.00<br>(5978.26) |
| Average Exchange Rate 1US$: | 41.00 | 43.00 | 46.00 |

All Figures Rs. in Crores (USD in Mn.)